

Checklist of Birds of the Willacy County Area

Cuckoos, Roadrunner, Ani		Ibises, Spoonbill, Stork		Swans, Geese, Ducks	
__ Blk-billed Cuckoo	Mr	__ White Ibis	Rf	__ Fulv. Whstl. Duck	Mf, Wu
__ Yel-billed Cuckoo	Sf, Mc	__ White-faced Ibis	Rc	__ Blk-b. Whstl. Duck	Rc
__ Greater Roadrunner	Rf	__ Roseate Spoonbill	Rc	__ Tundra Swan	Wa
__ Groove-billed Ani	Ru	__ Wood Stork	Su	__ Gr. Whi-front Goose	Wc
Emp. Flycatchers		Kingfishers		__ Snow Goose	Wc
__ Yellow-bellied	Mf	__ Ringed Kingfisher	Wr	__ Ross Goose	Wr
__ Acadian	Mf	__ Belted Kingfisher	Wc	__ Canada Goose	Wc
__ Willow	Mf	__ Green Kingfisher	Wr	__ Wood Duck	Wr
__ Least	Mf	Loons, Grebes		__ Green-winged Teal	Wc
__ Black Phoebe	Wu	__ Common Loon	Wf	__ Mottled Duck	Rc
__ Eastern Phoebe	Wf	__ Least Grebe	Ru	__ Mallard	Wr
__ Say's Phoebe	Wr	__ Pied-billed Grebe	Rc	__ Northern Pintail	Wc
__ Vrmf. Flycatcher	Sr, Wu	__ Horned Grebe	Wr	__ Blue-winged Teal	Mc, Wf
__ Ash-thr. Flycatcher	Mu	__ Eared Grebe	Wf	__ Cinnamon Teal	Wr
__ G. Crst. Flycatcher	Mf	Owls, Goatsuckers		__ Northern Shoveler	Wc
__ Br. Crst. Flycatcher	Sf	__ Barn Owl	Ru	__ Gadwall	Wc
__ Great Kiskadee	Ru	__ E. Screech Owl	Rf	__ American Widgeon	Wc
__ Couch's Kingbird	Ru	__ Great Horned Owl	Rf	__ Canvasback	Wf
__ Western Kingbird	Su, Mf	__ Burrowing Owl	Wr	__ Redhead Duck	Wc
__ Eastern Kingbird	Mc	__ Barred Owl	Ru	__ Ring-necked Duck	Wf
__ Sciss-tld. Flycatcher	Su, Mc	__ Short-eared Owl	Wr	__ Greater Scaup	Wr
__ Horned Lark	Rf	__ Lesser Nighthawk	Su	__ Lesser Scaup	Wc
__ Purple Martin	Sc	__ Common Nighthawk	Sc	__ Oldsquaw	Wr
__ Tree Swallow	Mu	__ Common Pauraque	Ru	__ Black Scoter	Wr
__ V-green Swallow	Mu	__ Common Poor-will	Sr	__ Surf Scoter	Wr
__ N. Rough-w. Swallow	Mc	__ Chuck-will's-widow	Mf	__ Whi-winged Scoter	Wr
__ Bank Swallow	Mf	__ Whip-poor-will	Mr	__ Common Goldeneye	Wf

__ Cliff Swallow	Sc	Passerines		__ Barrow's Goldeneye	Wa
__ Cave Swallow	Sc	__ Olive-sd. Flycatcher	Mu	__ Bufflehead	Wf
__ Barn Swallow	Su, Mc	__ Eastern Wood-pewee	Mf	__ Hooded Merganser	Wu
__ Blue Jay	Wr	Pelicans, ormorants, Anhingas, Frigatebird		__ Red-br. Merganser	Wc
__ Green Jay	Ru	__ Ameri. White Pelican	Rc	__ Ruddy Duck	Su, Wc
__ Tufted Titmouse	Ru	__ Brown Pelican	Rc	__ Masked Duck	RI
__ Verdin	Ru	__ Dbl-cr. Cormorant	Wc	Swifts	
__ Red-br. Nuthatch	Wr	__ Neotr. Cormorant	Su, Wu	__ Chimney Swift	Sc
__ Brown Creeper	Wr	__ Anhinga	Rf, Mc	Warblers	
__ Cactus Wren	Rf	__ Mag. Frigatebird	Sf	__ Blue-winged	Mu
__ Carolina Wren	Ru	Pigeons, Doves		__ Golden-winged	Mu
__ Bewick's Wren	Rf	__ Rock Dove	Rc	__ Tennessee	Mc
__ House Wren	Wf	__ White-winged Dove	Sc, Wu	__ Orange-crowned	Mc, Wc
__ Winter Wren	Wu	__ Mourning Dove	Rc	__ Nashville	Mc
__ Sedge Wren	Wu	__ Inca Dove	Rc	__ Northern Parula	Mc
__ Marsh Wren	Wf	__ Com. Ground Dove	Rf	__ Yellow	Mc
__ G-crowned Kinglet	Wr	__ White-tipped Dove	Rr	__ Chestnut-sided	Mc
__ R-crowned Kinglet	Wc	Quail, Turkey		__ Magnolia	Mc
__ Bl-gray Gnatcatcher	Wc	__ Wild Turkey	Rr	__ Cape May	Mr
__ Eastern Bluebird	Sr, Wu	__ Northern Bobwhite	Rf	__ Blk.-throated Blue	Mr
__ Veery	Mf	__ Scaled Quail	Rr	__ Yellow-rumped	Mc, Wc
__ Gray-cheeked Thrush	Mu	Rails, Gallinules, Coot, Cranes		__ Blk.-throated Gray	Wr
__ Swainson's Thrush	Mf	__ Clapper Rail	Rf	__ Blk.-Throated Green	Mc
__ Hermit Thrush	Wf	__ King Rail	Wu	__ Blackburnian	Mc
__ Wood Thrush	Mu	__ Virginia Rail	Wr	__ Yellow-throated	Mf
__ Clay-colored Robin	Wa	__ Sora	Mf, Wu	__ Pine	Mr, Wr
__ American Robin	WI	__ Purple Gallinule	Su	__ Prairie	Mr
__ Gray Catbird	Mc, Wr	__ Common Moorhen	Rc	__ Palm	Mu, Wr
__ Northern Mockingbird	Rc	__ American Coot	Su, Wc	__ Bay-breasted	Mc

__ Sage Thrasher	Wr	__ Sandhill Crane	Wc	__ Blackpoll	Mr
__ Brown Thrasher	Wf	__ Whooping Crane	Wc	__ Cerulean	Mu
__ Long-billed Thrasher	Rf	Shorebirds		__ Black-and-white	Mc, Wr
__ C-billed Thrasher	Rf	__ Blk-bellied Plover	Wc	__ American Redstart	Mc
__ American Pipit	Wf	__ Lsr. Golden Plover	Mf	__ Prothonotary	Mf
__ Sprague's Pipit	Wu	__ Snowy Plover	Ru	__ Worm-eating	Mu
__ Cedar Waxwing	WI	__ Wilson's Plover	Sf	__ Swainson's	Mr
__ Loggerhead Shrike	Sr, Wc	__ Am. Oystercatcher	Rf	__ Ovenbird	Mf
__ European Starling	Rc	__ Semipalm. Plover	Wf	__ N. Waterthrush	Mc
__ White-eyed Vireo	Rf	__ Piping Plover	Wu	__ La. Waterthrush	Mf
__ Bell's Vireo	Sr, Mr	__ Killdeer	Rc	__ Kentucky	Mc
__ Solitary Vireo	Wu	__ Mountain Plover	Mu	__ Mourning	Mf
__ Y-throated Vireo	Mu	__ Blk-necked Stilt	Sc, Wu	__ Com. Yellowthroat	Mc, Wc
__ Warbling Vireo	Mf	__ Amer. Avocet	Su, Wc	__ Hooded	Mc
__ Philadelphia Vireo	Mf	__ Greater Yellowlegs	Wc	__ Wilson's	Mc
__ Red-eyed Vireo	Mc	__ Lesser Yellowlegs	Wc	__ Canada	Mf
Gulls, Terns, Skimmers		__ Solitary Sandpiper	Mu	__ Yellow-br. Chat	Mc
__ Laughing Gull	Rf	__ Willet	Rc	__ Summer Tanager	Mc
__ Franklin's Gull	Mf	__ Spotted Sandpiper	Wu	__ Scarlet Tanager	Mf
__ Bonaparte's Gull	Wf	__ Upland Sandpiper	Mf	__ Western Tanager	Mr
__ Ring-billed Gull	Wc	__ Whimbrel	Mu	__ Northern Cardinal	Rc
__ California Gull	Wr	__ L-billed Curlew	Su, Wc	__ Pyrrhuloxia	Rf
__ Herring Gull	Wc	__ Hudsonian Godwit	Mr	__ Rose-br. Grosbeak	Mr
__ Thayer's Gull	Wr	__ Marbled Godwit	Wf	__ Blk.-headed Grosbeak	Wu
__ Lesser Blk-bk. Gull	Wr	__ Ruddy Turnstone	Wc	__ Blue Grosbeak	Sr, Mc
__ B-legged Kittiwake	Wr	__ Red Knot	Mc, Wu	__ Lazuli Bunting	Mr, Wr
__ Gull-billed Tern	Sf, Wu	__ Sanderling	Wc	__ Indigo Bunting	Mc, Wu
__ Caspian Tern	Rc	__ Semipalm. Sandpiper	Mu	__ Painted Bunting	Sf, Mf
__ Royal Tern	Rc	__ Western Sandpiper	Wc	__ Dickcissel	Su, Mc

__ Sandwich Tern	Sf, Wu	__ Least Sandpiper	Wc	__ Olive Sparrow	Ru
__ Common Tern	Mu, Wr	__ Whi-rumped Sandpiper	Mu	__ Grn.-tailed Towhee	Wr
__ Forster's Tern	Rc	__ Baird's Sandpiper	Mu	__ Eastern Towhee	Wu
__ Least Tern	Sc	__ Pectoral Sandpiper	Mu	__ Spotted Towhee	Wu
__ Sooty Tern	Sr	__ Dunlin	Wc	Woodpeckers	
__ Black Tern	Mc	__ Stilt Sandpiper	Mf, Wu	__ G-frnt. Woodpecker	Rf
__ Black Skimmer	Rc	__ Buff-br. Sandpiper	Mu	__ Y-bellied Sapsucker	Wf
Hawks and Allies		__ S-billed Dowitcher	Wf	__ L-backed Woodpecker	Rf
__ Black Vulture	Rc	__ L-billed Dowitcher	Wc	__ Downy Woodpecker	Wr
__ Turkey Vulture	Rc	__ Common Snipe	Wu	__ Northern Flicker	Wf
__ Osprey	Mf, Wf	__ American Woodcock	Wr	Pelagic Species	
__ Sw-tailed Kite	Mr	__ Wilson's Phalarope	Mf	<i>(Status Not Well Known)</i>	
__ Whi.-tailed Kite	Mf, Wu	__ Red-necked Phalarope	MI	__ Cory's Shearwater	
__ Mississippi Kite	Mf	Sparrows		__ Greater Shearwater	
__ Bald Eagle	Wr	__ Cassin's	Sf, Wr	__ Leach's Storm Petrel	
__ Northern Harrier	Wc	__ Chipping	Wf	__ Audubon's Shearwater	
__ Shp-shinned Hawk	Mf, Wu	__ Clay-colored	Wu	__ Masked Booby	
__ Cooper's Hawk	Mf,Wu	__ Field	Wf	__ Blue-footed Booby	
__ Harris' Hawk	Ru	__ Vesper	Wf	__ Brown Booby	
__ Red-shld. Hawk	Ru	__ Lark	Rf	__ Northern Gannet	
__ Broad-winged Hawk	Mc	__ Lark Bunting	Wr	__ Red Phalarope	
__ Swainson's Hawk	Mf	__ Savannah	Wc	__ Pomarine Jaeger	
__ White-tailed Hawk	Ru	__ Grasshopper	Wu	__ Parasitic Jaeger	
__ Red-tailed Hawk	Wc	__ Le Conte's	Wu	__ Long-tailed Jaeger	
__ Ferruginous Hawk	Wr	__ Sharp-tailed	Wr	Legend	
__ Rough-legged Hawk	Wr	__ Seaside	Rf	(R) Resident year round	
__ Golden Eagle	Wr	__ Fox	Wr	(M) Migrant	
__ Crested Caracara	Ru	__ Song	Wu	(S) Summer resident	
__ American Kestrel	Wc	__ Lincoln's	Wc	(W) Winter resident	

__ Merlin	Mu, Wr	__ Swamp	Wf	(l) Irregular
__ Prairie Falcon	Mr	__ White-throated	Wf	(c) Common - easily found
__ Peregrine Falcon	Mf, Wu	__ White-crowned	Wu	(f) Fairly common - found
Herons, Bitterns		__ Harris'	Wr	on most birding
__ American Bittern	Wu	__ Bobolink	Mr	trip
__ Least Bittern	Sc, Wr	__ R-winged Blackbird	Rc	(u) Uncommon - more
__ Great Blue Heron	Rc	__ Y-headed Blackbird	Mu	difficult to find
__ Great Egret	Rc	__ Brewer's Blackbird	Wf	(r) Rare - very difficult
__ Snowy Egret	Rc	__ Eastern Meadowlark	Rc	to find
__ Ltl. Blue Heron	Su, Wf	__ Western Meadowlark	Wr	(a) Accidental - 1-4
__ Tricolored Heron	Rc	__ Grt-tailed Grackle	Rc	records in past 20
__ Reddish Egret	Rc	__ Common Grackle	Wu	years
__ Cattle Egret	Rc	__ Bronzed Cowbird	Rf	NOTE: Indicated abundance is
__ Green Heron	Sf, Mc	__ Brn-headed Cowbird	Rc	Based on occurrence in the proper
__ B-cr. Night Heron	Rc	__ Orchard Oriole	Mc	Season and habitat.
__ Y-cr. Night Heron	Ru	__ Bullock's Oriole	Mu	
Hummingbirds		__ Baltimore Oriole	Mc	
__ Buff-bellied	Su, Wf	__ Hooded Oriole	Mr	
__ Ruby-throated	Sf, Mc	__ Audubon's Oriole	Rr	
__ Black-chinned	Su, Mc	__ Pine Siskin	Wu	
__ Anna's	Wr	__ Lesser Goldfinch	Wu	
__ Broad-tailed	Mu, Wr	__ American Goldfinch	Wc	
__ Rufous	Mu, Wf	__ House Sparrow	Rc	